

Electronic Signatures & Remote Notarizations Allowed

To protect health and safety and reduce unnecessary personal contact, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer signed Executive Order 2020-74 allowing the use of electronic signatures, remote notarizations and remote witness attestations and acknowledgements on documents. The order is effective through Tuesday, June 30, 2020, at 11:59 p.m.

Unless state law specifically mandates a physical signature, Executive Order 2020-74 temporarily suspends the rules and procedures under the Uniform Electronic Act. Instead, it permits the use of an electronic signature for a transaction whenever a signature is required under Michigan law.

The order specifies that any notarial act required under Michigan law may be performed using two-way, real-time audiovisual technology, provided certain conditions in the order are met.

For the duration of this order, the Michigan Gaming Control Board will waive notary requirements and permit the use of electronic signatures on licensing applications including, but not limited to, casino license applications, supplier license applications, vendor exemption applications, occupational license applications and millionaire party event applications.

Please see <u>Executive Order 2020-74</u> for complete information on the requirements and conditions for completing necessary transactions during the COVID-19 health emergency.

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